

# BOARD OF ASSESSORS MEETING MINUTES

March 3, 2021

Town Hall 1 Main St., Upton, MA 01568

Chairman William Taylor, Assessor Kelly McElreath, Assessor James Earl, Assistant Assessor, Tracey Tardy

*Pursuant to Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, §18, and the Governor's March 15, 2020 Order concerning imposition on strict limitations on the number of people that may gather in one place, meetings in the Town of Upton will be conducted via remote participation to the greatest extent possible. We will strive to provide access to such meetings via a link to call in, or other similar option. In the event we are unable to accommodate the same, despite best efforts, we will post recorded sessions of the meeting as soon as possible following the same.*

The virtual meeting called to order by Assessor McElreath 3:36 p.m. Roll Call vote:

Assessor McElreath: Aye, Chairman Taylor: Aye

Majority vote by the Board.

Attendees: Chairman Taylor, Assessor McElreath and Assistant Assessor Tracey Tardy

Motion made and second to approve the open session meeting minutes from February 17, 2021

Roll Call vote: Chairman Taylor: aye, Assessor McElreath: aye

Majority vote by the Board

Motion made and second to approve the executive session meeting minutes from February 17, 2021

Roll Call vote: Chairman Taylor: aye, Assessor McElreath: aye

Majority vote by the Board

Motion made and second to approve the list of real estate, personal property and exemption applications that were approved at the last executive session meeting. Total abatement and CPA amount \$5,234.51

Roll Call vote: Chairman Taylor: aye, Assessor McElreath: aye

Majority vote by the Board

Motion made and second to approve motor vehicle commitments:

#2021-1 \$1,015,752.99 and commitment # 2020-7 \$8667.45

Roll Call vote: Chairman Taylor: aye, Assessor McElreath: aye

Majority vote by the Board

Discussion took place regarding parcels of land located on the Grafton/Upton Line that a prior board member felt 3-4 lots in Grafton didn't cross the boundary line into Upton. The current Board found overwhelming evidence with plans and deed research that the lots do indeed cross into Upton.

The Board made a motion to add the lots back onto the Upton maps and reverse the prior Boards decision to remove them. The parcels are all exempt but a map correction should be made and the parcel should be accounted for. Motion was seconded.

Roll Call vote: Chairman Taylor: aye, Assessor McElreath: aye  
Majority vote by the Board

Motion made and second to approve the monthly list of motor vehicle abatement issued Levy 2020 \$91.75 and Levy 2021 \$96.66

Roll Call vote: Chairman Taylor: aye, Assessor McElreath: aye  
Majority vote by the Board

The next meeting will be scheduled for March 17, 2021 @ 4:00 p.m.

Motion made and second to adjourn meeting @ 3:46 p.m. to enter into executive session

Open meeting session adjourned at 3:46 p.m. to enter into executive session.

At 3:46 p.m. A roll-call motion made by Assessor McElreath to enter into Executive Session under M.G.L. Chapter 30A section 21, Exception #7: to comply with, or act under the authority of, any general law citing G.L. c. 59, s 60 as the stature requiring confidentiality for the purpose of reviewing real estate exemption, abatement applications and chapter land applications.

Roll Call vote: Chairman Taylor: aye, Assessor McElreath: aye.

Motion approved and the board entered into executive session. The Board will close the executive session and not return to an open meeting once business is complete.

Roll Call vote: Chairman Taylor: aye, Assessor McElreath: aye  
Majority vote by the Board.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tracey Tardy, Assistant Assessor